

SUMMARY

HA-1564

Edward M. Chew Tenant House

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Edward M. Chew Tenant House

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

east side of Nobles Mill Rd. nr. Darlington

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

___ VICINITY OF

STATE

COUNTY

3 CLASSIFICATION**CATEGORY**

☐ DISTRICT
☒ BUILDING(S)
☐ STRUCTURE
☐ SITE
☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC
☒ PRIVATE
☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☐ OCCUPIED
☒ UNOCCUPIED
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS
ACCESSIBLE
☐ YES: RESTRICTED
☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED
☒ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE ☐ MUSEUM
☐ COMMERCIAL ☐ PARK
☐ EDUCATIONAL ☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE
☐ ENTERTAINMENT ☐ RELIGIOUS
☐ GOVERNMENT ☐ SCIENTIFIC
☐ INDUSTRIAL ☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ MILITARY ☒ OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

George W. Barber

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

1637 Trappe Rd.

CITY, TOWN

Darlington

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code
Md. 21034**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC

Harford County Courthouse

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

40 South Main Street

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air

STATE
Maryland 21014**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

N/C-1569

CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT
☐ GOOD
☐ FAIR
☒ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☒ UNALTERED
☐ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☐ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This one story, gable-roofed clapboard over log house is located on the north-east side of Nobles Mill Road, north of Deer Creek.

Facing southeast, the house is set on a raised stone foundation and measures 25'X15'-1/2". It is 3 bays wide and 1 bay deep, with the entrance in the center bay of the south side, flanked by a window on each side. The cornice is boxed and there is a single concrete block exterior chimney in the center of the north side. Little is left of the window sashes, and it is impossible to tell their configuration. The exterior clapboards are machine-sawn.

The interior was inaccessible, but glimpses through the window indicated that the plan consists of 2 rooms with a staircase in the southwest corner. The walls are plaster over hand-split lath and in one place where the lath has disintegrated hewn horizontal logs are visible.

Northwest of the house are a metal silo with the ruins of a rubblestone barn foundation and 2 vertical board sheds-one with a shed roof, one with a gable roof, both with sawn structural members.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW				
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)		
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION				

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This house probably served as a tenant house on the farm of Edward M. Chew, who owned the farm from his father's death in 1821 until his own death in 1874. The residence of Edward Chew, quite a wealthy man according to his 20-page personal inventory valued at \$1612.85, his real estate valued at \$6650, and the provision in his will that his executor have an iron railing erected around his burial lot "at the Trappe" (church?), 18' by 24' square, "not to cost less than \$100 and more if necessary."¹ It is probable that at least part of Edward Chew's farm had belonged to his father, Thomas S. Chew, whose will dated 1820, left his home farm to his wife Elizabeth and then to his son, Edward.² Thomas S. Chew also owned 9 slaves, which he directed to be kept until the males reached 28 years of age and the females 25 years of age.

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1. Estate Records #4158, Will Records Liber 9, Folio 175
2. Will Records Liber SR1, Folio 234

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

1858 Jennings and Herrick Map
1878 Martenet's Map
Land, will, and equity records of Harford County

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE	
Natalie Shivers	
ORGANIZATION	DATE
Harford County Department of Planning and Zoning	8/80
STREET & NUMBER	TELEPHONE
45 South Main Street	838-6000 ext. 207
CITY OR TOWN	STATE
Bel Air,	Maryland 21014

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

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RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

Title Search
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1.	755/157	August 31, 1967	Grantor: Ruth C. Moxley Grantee: George W. and Ellen V. Barber Acreage: 163.07 A
2.	GRG 537/208	October 12, 1959	Grantor: Ruth C. Moxley and Maxine Goodman, Committee of Allen L. Moxley Grantee: Ruth C. Moxley Sum: \$23,000 Acreage: "Bachelor's Good Luck" and "New Stead" = 158 1/2 A
3.	JAR 162/499	April 23, 1919	Grantor: George E. Silver Grantee: Allen L. Moxley Sum: \$15,850 Acreage: "Bachelor's Good Luck", "New Stead" 158 1/2 A.
4.	ALJ 44/356	May 1, 1882	Grantor: Thomas C. Hopkins, exec. of will of Edward M. Chew, dec. Grantee: Silas B. Silver and brother Sum: \$7000 Acreage: "Bachelor's Good Luck", "New Stead"= 160 A.
5A.	HD 16/25	Jan. 25, 1833	Grantor: Cassandra, Eliza, and Margaret M. Chew Grantee: Edward M. Chew Acreage: Their part of "New Stead", "Jones Venture", "Second Venture" left to them by Thomas S. Chew
6A.	Will Records SR 1/234 Will of Thomas S. Chew	1820	to wf. Eliz and then to son Edward "All of tract on which I now live on s side of rd. from Trap to Darlington. . .and part of Jones Venture on ne side of Hollands Branch, pur- chased of my grandfather Henry Chew"
5B.	WG 14/12	12/30/1862	Grantor: Stevenson Archer, trustee Gerard Gover (Joshua Hopkins vs. Edward M. Chew et al) Grantee: Edward M. Chew Acreage: "Bachelor's Good Luck", "Jones Venture" = 45 A 2 R 34 p. bartered for like granting of land by Edward M Chew with Gover.

(continuation sheet #1)

EDWARD M. CHEW HOUSE

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6B. ALJ 9/75 (Mort.)

Mortgagor: Joshua Hopkins
Mortgagee: Gerard Gover of Balt. City
Sum: \$8000
Acreage: "Bachelor's Good Luck", "Jones
Venture" 78 A 3R 5p

7B. Will Records TSB 5/396

Will of Samuel Hopkins 1832
to 2 sons Joshua and Wm. 2/3
of all my land during the life
of their mother, Sarah and then
all land

5763 III NE
(DELTA)

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

Aberdeen Quadrangle

76°15'
39°37'30"

394 000 m E

395

396 12'30"

5763
(CONOWIN)

4385000 N





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Natalie Shivers
4/80
Farm Sheds



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Barn Foundations and silo



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Southeast